



CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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Crop Conditions Continue to Improve

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 6, 2010.**

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Corn Silked	10	3	18	15
Cotton Planted	93	89	88	95
Cotton Squaring	4	1	0	3
Peanuts Planted	84	77	75	89
Soybeans Planted	74	65	63	70
Soybeans Emerged	57	45	48	56
Winter Wheat Harvested	20	11	14	11
Hay Harvested-1 st cutting	63	56	66	N/A
N/A =Not Available				

CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	0	0	9	81	10
Cotton	0	0	14	79	7
Peanuts	0	0	9	87	4
Soybeans	0	0	10	87	3
Winter Wheat	0	2	29	61	8
Livestock	0	0	11	78	11
Pasture & Range	0	1	10	81	8

TOP SOIL MOISTURE

	Days Suitable	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		Percent			
District 10	4.8	0	0	94	6
District 20	3.9	0	0	90	10
District 30	3.6	0	1	80	19
District 40	5.0	0	12	88	0
District 50	5.1	1	15	63	21
District 60	4.3	3	15	78	4
State: Current Week	4.4	1	5	85	9
State: Previous Week	5.1	6	15	75	4

EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:

General: Crop conditions continued to improve as most of the state received beneficial rainfall during the past week.

Doyle Barnes, County Executive Director in Covington County, noted that his area received rain events on five days last week, totaling 2.5 inches of much needed rain.

Jeffrey Smith, County Executive Director in Elmore County, noted 1.6 inches of rain were received at his

office. Jack Tatum, Regional Extension Agent in Shelby County, noted that even though it seems rain has been everywhere lately, that this was not the case in his area. Farms visited by Mr. Tatum in Bibb and Chilton Counties had received only about three tenths of rain in the last seven days. The US Drought Monitor released June 1st indicated the state to once again be 100 percent free from drought compared to 86 percent free 3 months ago, and 100 percent free one year ago. Daytime highs for the week ranged from 84 degrees in Sand Mountain to 94 degrees in Dothan and Brewton. Overnight lows ranged from 61 degrees in Opelika to 70 degrees in Mobile, Dothan and Headland. Precipitation totals for the week ranged from 0 inches of rain in Russellville to 4.86 inches of rainfall in Hamilton over a period of 4 days. Growing degree day data (Base 50) for the year continues to remain ahead of normal across the state, ranging from +45 at Bridgeport to +5 in Mobile.

Small Grains: Small grains continued to be harvested last week, although Tim Malone, County Executive Director for Lauderdale County, stated that a couple of weeks of sunshine would be beneficial for the wheat harvest.

Soybeans: Mr. Malone also stated that crops are looking good at this time; most of the soybeans are planted, except what will be double cropped behind wheat. According to currently reported conditions, all these crops are indicated in over 80 percent good to excellent condition at the state level.

Fruits: Bobby Boozer, Horticulturist at the Chilton Research and Extension Center, and author of the Peach Orchard News, reported peaches are moving, with good volume. Fruit size is mixed as usual with early season varieties. Plum curculio began to emerge last week; spray programs for its control will be very important in the next few weeks.

Pasture/Hay: Henry Dorough, Regional Extension Agent in Talladega County, noted that daily rainfall during the past week has pastures and hayfields in good condition, although it has halted most haying and spraying operations. T. H. Gregg, Regional Extension Agent in Etowah County, said that the rainfall hurt and limited hay cuttings in his area.

ALABAMA'S Weekly Crop Weather for the Period: Monday May 31, 2010 To Sunday June 6, 2010

Weather Station	Air Temperatures				Precipitation			Precipitation since Jan 1			Avg. 4"	GDD Base 50		GDD Base 60	
	High	Low	Avg	DFN	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	% Normal		Soil Temp	Total	DFN	Total
District 10 Northwest Alabama - Tennessee Valley 46% of Corn Ac., 45% of Soybean Ac.															
Muscle Shoals	89	65	77	4	2.39	1.37	3	22.75	-2.46	90	79	190	25	120	25
Russellville	89	63	75	6	0.00	-1.01	0	19.47	-8.10	71		183	40	113	40
Belle Mina	89	62	76	4	0.84	-0.10	7	23.15	-3.24	88		185	28	115	27
Huntsville Ag	90	66	78	6	1.65	0.64	7	21.95	-5.58	80		197	35	127	35
Hamilton	91	63	76	6	4.86	3.81	4	32.37	3.44	112		190	40	120	41
District 20 Northeast Alabama - Appalachian Foothills 18% of Corn Ac., 21% of Soybean Ac.															
Anniston AP	89	67	77	4	0.32	-0.52	4	23.64	-3.05	89	76	192	23	122	23
Cullman Ag	88	63	75	4	1.67	0.67	5	32.17	3.35	112		179	25	109	25
Sand Mountain	84	63	74	3	0.38	-0.52	5	24.30	-2.93	89		171	25	101	25
Gadsden_AP	88	64	75	3	0.78	-0.08	5	21.00	-6.86	75		173	13	103	13
Bridgeport	89	65	77	7	3.67	2.69	6	27.41	-1.20	96		190	45	120	44
Guntersville	88	66	75	2	0.80	-0.01	7	29.38	2.90	111		181	14	111	14
District 30 North Central Alabama - 7% of Corn Ac., 7% of Soybean Ac.															
Thorsby	90	67	78	5	2.46	1.57	7	25.33	-1.91	93	80	202	33	132	33
Talladega	87	63	76	4	3.60	2.76	5	30.28	3.44	113		183	23	113	23
Birmingham_AP	89	68	78	5	0.93	0.05	5	28.19	1.62	106		198	31	128	31
Alabaster	88	66	78	5	1.78	0.87	3	27.82	-0.62	98		195	30	125	30
Pinson	90	64	76	4	4.08	3.15	5	28.53	0.60	102		181	28	111	28
Opelika_Wtr_Plt	89	61	76	4	0.76	-0.08	5	26.97	-0.59	98		186	22	116	23
Alexander_City	88	64	76	4	1.37	0.46	6	23.86	-3.91	86		192	27	122	28
Tuscaloosa_AP	91	68	79	5	2.30	1.46	3	22.55	-4.44	84		208	29	138	30
Jasper	88	66	77	5	1.35	0.39	4	34.75	6.38	122		190	37	120	37
District 40 South Central Alabama - Black Belt 7% of Corn Ac., 9% of Soybean Ac.															
Union Springs	89	66	76	2	1.27	0.21	7	20.24	-5.56	78	86	189	11	119	11
Marion Junction	92	68	79	5	0.86	-0.03	5	23.37	-3.06	88		207	33	137	33
Montgomery_AP	91	66	78	3	0.74	-0.10	4	20.57	-4.98	81		200	15	130	15
Livingston	90	68	79	4	2.60	1.78	5	31.54	4.18	115		204	28	134	28
District 50 SW Alabama - Coastal Plain 7% of Corn Ac., 10% of Soybean Ac.															
Bay Minette	90	69	79	2	2.88	1.62	6	34.33	5.58	119	88	205	12	135	12
Brewton_AG	94	67	79	3	1.44	0.13	6	28.79	0.06	100		206	26	136	26
Thomasville	90	67	78	3	1.01	0.05	7	25.35	-2.56	91		199	19	129	20
Mobile_Bates	90	70	79	1	2.80	1.59	6	32.35	4.47	116		204	5	134	5
District 60 SE Alabama - Wiregrass 15% of Corn Ac., 8% of Soybean Ac.															
Eufaula_Wildlife	90	67	78	3	1.73	0.78	7	28.94	4.37	118	87	200	22	130	22
Troy_Municipal	90	66	78	3	1.46	0.56	6	25.15	0.49	102		195	18	125	18
Highland Home	91	65	78	3	1.56	0.54	6	28.98	1.64	106		197	19	127	19
Geneva_Ag	92	67	78	2	1.60	0.49	4	24.93	0.34	101		205	18	135	18
Headland	93	70	81	4	1.67	0.55	5	24.05	-2.41	91		85	216	29	146
Dothan	94	70	80	5	1.43	0.42	7	23.16	-2.64	90		214	29	144	29

DFN = Departure From Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Precipitation Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more. Air and Soil Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. PCT of Norm: Cumulative Rainfall since January 1 as a percent of normal (using 1961-90 normals period), 2008. Weather data prepared By AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.

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